SEVENTEEN INSTITUTIONS FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE NEGRO, OPERATED AND AIDED BY THE BOARD OF FREEDMEN'S MISSIONS OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

INSTITUTION	LOCATION	PRESIDENT	Founded	Students, 1908	Theological Students	Teachers	Approximate Annual Expenses	Value of Property
Knoxville College	Knoxville, Tenn.	Ralph W. McGranahan*	1875	507	4	32	\$22,000	\$150,000
Bristol Normal Institute	Bristol, Tenn.	F. W. Woodfin*	1900	124		5	2,000	12,000
Athens Academy	Athens, Tenn.	John Brice*	1888	100		5	2,000	10,000
Wallace Grammar School	Riceville, Tenn.	W. P. Ware	1900	72		3	1,166	1,000
Cleveland Academy	Cleveland, Tenn.	J. H. Tarter*	1900	102		5	2,050	5,000
United Presbyterian Mission	Birmingham, Ala.	E. K. Smith*	1905	228		6	2,359	4,500
Camden Academy	Camden, Ala.	W. G. Wilson*	1895	295		8	2,450	6,000
Canton U. P. Mission	Canton Bend, Ala.	Thomas M. Elliott	1896	154		3	1,050	1,200
Millers Ferry Normal and Ind'l Inst.	Millers Ferry, Ala.	Charles H. Johnson*	1884	303		13	4,500	10,000
Prairie Institute	Prairie, Ala.	J. N. Cotton	1894	206		6	2,150	6,500
Midway Mission	Midway, Ala.	Thomas P. Marsh	1901	112		3	1,225	800
Arlington Literary and Ind'l School	Arlington, Ala.	John T. Arter*	1902	321		11	4,000	10,000
Thyne Institute	Chase City, Va.	F. W. Wilson*	1876	224		11	6,450	20,000
Bluestone Mission	Bluestone, Va.	R. P. Williams	1880	110		3	1,085	2,000
Norfolk Mission College	Norfolk, Va.	Wm. McKirahan*	1883	607		21	10,000	65,000
Henderson Normal Institute	Henderson, N. C.	John A. Cotton*	1891	400		13	6,000	30,000
Townsville Mission	Townsville, N. C.	Bettie B. Taylor	1904	137		2	300	600
				4,002	4	150	\$70,785	\$334,600

^{*} Those marked thus (*) are ministers.

At Henderson, N. C., in 1890, a site for a normal school was purchased and a school established which has reached effectually a large colored population, extending its influence into a number of different states.

As an outgrowth of this school a mission was recently organized at Townsville, N. C. This school is doing effective work in a very needy community.

Putting First Things First

A recent report of the Board says: "The problem of the Negro is one that is discussed on every hand, and his place in the social, industrial, and political scale, especially, is more and more receiving the attention of thoughtful people throughout the land. Unfortunately, a great many whose intentions are good, and who have at heart the desire to uplift this race, are directing their efforts along lines that ignore the necessity of moral and spiritual foundations.

"It is a matter for thanksgiving to God that during the more than forty years of effort among the freedmen, our Board has been enabled to put first things first, and that the chief aim has been to give moral and spiritual direction and training as the basis for individual character building and race development."

Seventeen United Presbyterian Missions

The total number of missions under the care of the United Presbyterian Church is 17; the number of missionaries employed last year, 153; the total enrollment of the schools, 3,961; the membership of the 17 congregations and unorganized missions, 1,107; the total contributions of the missions last year, \$8,556; 19 Sabbath-schools with 3,737 scholars. The total property value of the United Presbyterian missions, at a conservative estimate, is not less than \$250,000.

The direct contributions of the church for the support of these missions last year was \$89,225.72. - J.~W.~Witherspoon.